

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

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AN EXTRACORPOREAL STABILISED EXPANDED BED ADSORPTION METHOD FOR THE TREATMENT OF SEPSIS

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## AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to a Final Office Action, dated December 5, 2008, on the captioned application, which also is the subject of a Notice of Appeal filed June 4, 2009,

Applicants have enclosed with this amendment a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

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